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Office Action Summary	Application No. 10/750,582	Applicant(s) TSAI ET AL.	
	Examiner Fred Ferris	Art Unit 2128	

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Period for Reply

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 3 MONTH(S) OR THIRTY (30) DAYS, WHICHEVER IS LONGER, FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION.

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 21 February 2003.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-30 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-30 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☒ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 21 February 2003 is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☒ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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| 1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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DETAILED ACTION

1. *Claims 1-30 have been presented for examination based on applicant's disclosure filed 21 February 2003. Claims 1-30 are currently pending in this application and stand rejected by the examiner.*

Specification

2. *The disclosure is objected to because it does not describe the disclosed invention as a whole in a single paragraph. MPEP 608.01(f) requires to following:*

Content of Specification

- (k) **Abstract of the Disclosure:** See MPEP § 608.01(f). A brief narrative of the disclosure as a whole in a single paragraph of 150 words or less commencing on a separate sheet following the claims. In an international application which has entered the national stage (37 CFR 1.491(b)), the applicant need not submit an abstract commencing on a separate sheet if an abstract was published with the international application under PCT Article 21. The abstract that appears on the cover page of the pamphlet published by the International Bureau (IB) of the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) is the abstract that will be used by the USPTO. See MPEP § 1893.03(e).

Drawings

3. *The drawings are objected to because they are informal and suitable for examination purposes only. New formal drawings will be required at time of allowance.*

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(e) the invention was described in (1) an application for patent, published under section 122(b), by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent or (2) a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent, except that an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a) shall have the effects for purposes of this subsection of an application filed in the United States only if the international application designated the United States and was published under Article 21(2) of such treaty in the English language.

8. *Claims 1-30 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being clearly anticipated by US Patent Application Publication 2004/0006584 A1 issued to Vanderweed.*

Regarding independent claims 1, 14, 24, and 28: Vanderweed anticipates the claimed method and apparatus limitations of the present invention as follows:

- *translating/compiling design description into configuration of processing elements: (para:0015, 0002, 0055-0060, 0085, Figs. 5-15)*
- *Setting/determining packet size for communications between element: (para: 0416, 0398, 0434-0439, Figs. 27, 28, 33, 34)*

Per claim 2: partitioning design into functions: (para:0145-0166, Fig. 6)

Per claim 3: coded functions to run on elements: (para:0207-0216)

Per claims 4, 18, 25, 29: profiling design configurations: (Figs. 5-7)

Per claims 5, 20, 21: PS voltage value: (para:0208, 0278-0282)

Per claims 6, 22, 23, 26: Clock frequency: (para:0208, 0386-0391, Figs. 29-32)

Per claims 7-9, 19, 27, 30: Profiling packet size, latency, throughput: (para:0388-0391, Figs.27, 28, Tab. V)


Per claims 10-12: comparing constraints profiling, latency, throughput:
(para:0388-0391, Figs. 27, 28)

Per claim 13: modifying profiling parameters: (para:0207-0209, 0388-0398)

Per claims 14-17: configuring/translating packets multiple processing elements:
(para:0015, 0002, 0318-0321, 0055-0060, 0085, Figs. 5-15)

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Fred Ferris whose telephone number is 571-272-3778 and whose normal working hours are 8:30am to 5:00pm Monday to Friday. Any inquiry of a general nature relating to the status of this application should be directed to the group receptionist whose telephone number is 571-272-3700. If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Kamini Shah can be reached at 571-272-2279. The Official Fax Number is: (703) 872-9306

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